Lenoir, North Carolina,
June 28, 1933.

Personnel Officer,
Tennessee Valley Authority,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In presenting my application for employment, I wish to submit the following supplementary data:

Education: I was unable to attend school regularly owing to frequent changes of residence is search of a climate that would benefit the health of my grandmother, my grandparents having taken me to rear following the death of my parents. This lack was offset by studies under several competent tutors at home. I was forced to leave college in 1907 when my grandfather suffered financial reverses. Under my step-grandmother, nee Louella V. Simmons, for some years a member of the faculty of Chicago University, I pursued an extended course of home study and selected reading. These advantages, taken with years of newspaper work, have given me a fund of useful knowledge superior to that possessed by the average college graduate.

Specialized Work: From 1913 to 1928 I was deputy clerk of the Circuit Court in Bay County, Fla., in charge of map filings and highway data for the county. In this position I built up a considerable practice as title examiner. From June, 1925, to January, 1927, I had charge of the office of the Panama Abstract & Title Co., of which I was one of the principal owners. My duties included supervision of photostatic take-off, assembling and checking of abstracts of title. I have done map drafting ever since leaving college.

Employment and Idle Periods: My employment with the Panama City Publishing Company, 1909 to 1921, was under direction of my grandfather, the late Geo. M. West, owner and editor of The Panama City Pilot, who passed away in October, 1928, in consequence of which I can not give hime as a reference. Mr. Moates, named in the application, was associated with me while with the publishing company. Following my retirement as manager of the Panama Abstract & Title Co., in January, 1927, I suffered a physical breakdown from which I have only recently recovered. I am now able to put in a full day's work six days a week. The mild diabetes from which I suffer does not hamper me in any way.

I am without regular employment yielding sufficient return to provide me with the necessities of life and have the greatest need of work. I am willing to go anywhere I may be sent and do any work within the scope of my experience and training.

Respectfully,

Philip B. West